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23 24 25 26	THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES and ANIMAL LEGAL DEFENSE FUND,  [Proposed] Defendant-Intervenors.			
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Defendants City and County of San Francisco, *et al.*, hereby respectfully request, pursuant to Federal Rule of Evidence 201, that this Court take judicial notice of the following materials in support of their Motion to Dismiss the Complaint.

- 1. Attached hereto as **Exhibit A** is a true and correct copy of Article 1D of the San Francisco Health Code, entitled "Animal Fur Products." As of March 16, 2020, the San Francisco Health Code is available in full on the American Legal Website, https://codelibrary.amlegal.com/codes/san francisco/latest/sf health/0-0-0-2.
- 2. Attached hereto as **Exhibit B** is a true and correct copy of the publicly available webpage maintained by the San Francisco Department of Public Health entitled "Animal Fur Products Frequently Asked Questions." As of March 16, 2020, this webpage is available at https://www.sfdph.org/dph/EH/AnimalFur/faq.asp.

Each of these exhibits is a matter of public record and is therefore subject to judicial notice. Fed. R. Evid. 201(b); *Lee v. City of Los Angeles*, 250 F.3d 668, 689 (9th Cir. 2001) (a court may judicially notice matters of public record unless the matter is a fact subject to reasonable dispute).

Exhibit A is judicially noticeable because it is a portion of the San Francisco Health Code, and it reflects changes to city law enacted by ordinance. Portions of the municipal code are proper subjects of judicial notice under Rule 201. San Francisco Baykeeper v. West Bay Sanitary Dist., 791 F. Supp. 2d 719, 731-32 (N.D. Cal. 2011). In addition, "[m]unicipal ordinances are proper subjects for judicial notice." Tollis, Inc. v. Cty. of San Diego, 505 F.3d 935, 938 n. 1 (9th Cir. 2007); Santa Monica Food Not Bombs v. City of Santa Monica, 450 F.3d 1022, 1052 n. 2 (9th Cir. 2006); see also Rabkin v. Dean, 856 F. Supp. 543, 546 (N.D. Cal. 1994) ("The Court may take judicial notice of city charters, city ordinances and resolutions, and the contents and legislative history of a proposed city ordinance or resolution.").

Exhibit B is judicially noticeable because government memoranda and statements like this are matters of public record appropriate for judicial notice. *See Brown v. Valoff*, 422 F.3d 926, 933 n.9 (9th Cir. 2005) (taking judicial notice of administrative bulletin); *Calif. Sportfishing Prot. All. v. Chico Scrap Metal, Inc.*, 124 F. Supp. 3d 1007, 1016 (E.D. Cal. 2015) ("Government records are susceptible to judicial notice when 'relevant to an[] issue' before the court.") (quoting *Flick v. Liberty Mut. Fire* 

1	Ins. Co., 205 F.3d 386, 392 n. 7 (9th Cir. 2000)). Courts have taken judicial notice of similar officia		
2	"Frequently Asked Questions" documents regarding local government ordinances. See Calop		
3	Business Sys., Inc. v. City of Los Angeles, 984 F. Supp. 2d 981, 992-93 (C.D. Cal. 2013) (taking		
4	judicial notice of "Frequently Asked Questions" document regarding city ordinance); Helicopters for		
5	Agric. v. Cty. of Napa, No. C 18-06124 WHA, 2019 WL 6250907, *3 (N.D. Cal. Nov. 22, 2019)		
6	(taking judicial notice of "Frequently Asked Questions" document regarding local initiative measure		
7	This exhibit is also judicially noticeable because it has been posted to an official government website		
8	See Daniels-Hall v. Nat'l Educ. Ass'n, 629 F.3d 992, 998-99 (9th Cir. 2010) (judicially noticing		
9	information contained on a government website); Paralyzed Veterans of Am. v. McPherson, No. C 06		
10	4670 SBA, 2008 WL 4183981, at *5 (N.D. Cal. Sept. 9, 2008) (finding that courts commonly take		
11	judicial notice of information and documents on government websites, and citing cases from various		
12	jurisdictions).		
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